Engineer to attend meetings of commissioners

SEC. 8. That said engineer of public roads shall attend with the Board of Commissioners for McDowell County at the courthouse on the first Monday of every May, September and January, for the special purpose of approving claims and of examining the reports of overseers of the workings of roads and of comparing the same with his census of those liable to road duty.

Reports of engineer to solicitors.

Sec. 9. That said engineer of public roads shall report in writing to the solicitor on the first day of each term of court for the trial of criminal causes in McDowell County the names of any and all justices of the peace and overseers who fail to comply with the provisions of this act and of every person liable to work upon the public roads who has failed to work, together with any and all violations of the road law, and any dereliction of duty upon the part of any person whomsoever which shall come to his knowledge or attention by any credible means concerning the road law for McDowell County, and shall further perform any and all such duties as the board of county commissioners may deem proper to assign to him concerning the carrying into effect of the road law for McDowell County.

Abstracts and blanks to be furnished.

Sec. 10. That the board of county commissioners shall, as soon as may be, have printed and shall furnish at the cost of the county to each justice of the peace and each overseer of roads in McDowell County appropriate printed abstracts or blank reports upon which to make the reports herein required of them, and shall also have printed and furnish to each overseer and justice of the peace of McDowell County a printed synopsis of the road law for the county.

Synopsis of road law.

Opening new

roads

Hindrance by landowner.

Materials.

Claims for damages.

Procedure for settlement of damages.

Sec. 11. That the Board of Commissioners for McDowell County shall have power and authority, upon an approved survey of any new road or any proposed change in any old road or any part thereof, to order the same to be laid out and built and opened to public travel, and when so ordered such road or part thereof may be laid out, built and opened to public travel. without hindrance by the owner of the land over which the road is located, on account of any claim for damages which may be caused by the building of such road or for any other cause; and in the building and construction of roads, or changes in the same or parts thereof. earth, stone, wood, timber and other necessary materials may be taken from adjoining or nearby land: Provided, that any person over whose land said road may be built or from which any material shall have been taken may file with the said board of county commissioners his claim, in writing, within sixty days from the time of the completion of the road or part thereof upon his land, when it shall be the duty of said board of commissioners to have summoned a jury of three disinterested citizens of the county, of no relation to the claimant, to go upon and view the premises and report in writing to the said board of commissioners the amount of damages, if any, which they may find the claimant